CrossCulture Internships (CCI)

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i f a // About i f a

- devising & organizing contemporary art exhibitions worldwide
- planning & organizing international conferences & media dialogues
- promoting international peace projects in crisis areas
- editing studies & the quarterly journal for international perspectives
- organizing internships & dialogue programs with focus on the Islamic world
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CCI // Objectives

• gaining vocational & specialist knowledge
• obtaining an overview of the social & political structures in the host country
• establishing new professional contacts for future cooperation
• gaining intercultural experience
• boosting the formation of networks
CCI // **Target Groups**

- young working people
- committed volunteers

from civil society organizations & institutions

from Muslim countries & Germany
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CCI // Participating Countries

- member countries of the Arab League
- Iran, Central Asia, Pakistan & Afghanistan
- Nigeria
- Indonesia & Malaysia
- Germany
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CCI // Facts // Participating Countries

- Afghanistan: 22%
- Germany: 18%
- Others: 10%
- Malaysia: 2%
- Lebanon: 2%
- Indonesia: 2%
- Yemen: 3%
- Palestine: 3%
- Jordan: 3%
- Algeria: 3%
- Nigeria: 4%
- Syria: 4%
- Iraq: 4%
- Iran: 6%
- Egypt: 6%
- Pakistan: 7%
- Others: 10%
- Afghanistan: 22%
- Germany: 18%
- Others: 10%
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- Lebanon: 2%
- Indonesia: 2%
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CCI // Network

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CCI // Realization

- announcement, application procedure and selection of scholarship holders
- organization and implementation of the CrossCulture internships
- intercultural training
- alumni networking
CCI // **Realization / Prearrangements**

- Jan / announcement by ifa & German diplomatic representations abroad
- Mar / deadline for applications
- Mar / preselection of candidates by ifa & diplomatic representations abroad
- Apr / selection of candidates by ifa & Federal Foreign Office
- Apr / announcement of candidates
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CCI // Realization / Implementation

- May / organizing of internship positions
- May / organizing visa, flights, accommodation, insurances …
- Jun to Dec / time slot for 3 months internships
- Jun to Dec / organizing framework programs & intercultural training
- Jan to Dec / 24/7-hotline
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CCI // **Realization / Intercultural Training**

- obtaining an overview of the different concepts of culture
- learning about German & Islamic values and communication
- sharing & discussing cultural experiences made in the host countries
- bringing together scholarship holders
CCI // **Realization / Alumni Networking**

- networking via website provided by ifa
- alumni meeting point
- alumni reports
- alumni network
- networking via ifa-facebook ...
CCI // Finances

- expenses for scholarship holders / visa, flights, insurances, accommodation, monthly stipends …
- expenses for framework program & intercultural training
- expenses for the project staff
- expenses for material, alumni work, publications …
CCI // Results

- boosting the professional career
- establishing long lasting business relations
- growing professional & social networks
- reducing negative stereotypes between Muslim and Western societies
- encouraging mutual understanding & intercultural dialogue
CCI // Scholarship Holders

- Stephanie Dötzer / Germany / journalist with SWR / CCI at Al-Jazeera in 2007

„Dialogue with Islam is a great buzzword. But: cultures or religions can’t talk to each other. It’s people who have to get together, on an equal footing – and that’s exactly what the CrossCulture program makes possible. No TV report and no book can substitute for what becomes possible when people actually meet and listen to each other.“
CCI // **Scholarship Holders**

- Kamalu Sani / Nigeria / anchor with Voice of Nigeria / CCI at DW in 2008

“There was a great remarkable change in my professional career. In fact the CCI served as a beginning in shaping my professional, educational and cultural tolerance to a great extent. This experience lead to my dream in establishing a strong organization that deals with conflict resolution and promotion of peace in Nigeria and has a partnership with the organization zivik located in Berlin.“
CCI // Scholarship Holders

- Anne Peter / Germany / journalist with KI.KA / CCI at AJ Children in 2007

"Due to the CCI and with the help of AJ Children I was able to produce a documentary about kids in the Arab world that finally won the International Children’s Day of Broadcasting Award 2008 in New York and was a big step in my professional career. For a new TV-project of KI.KA that will take place in the Arab world I benefit from the CCI Alumni-net that helps me to get in contact to different people all over the Arab countries.”
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